GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1505
ANSWERED ON:09.12.2004
GAUGE CONVERSION IN RAJASTHAN
Rawat Prof. Rasa Singh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the rail routes targeted for gauge conversion and for new construction in Rajasthan during the tenth five year plan;

(b) the details of the progress made so far by the Government; and

(c) the expenditure incurred so far on these construction works along with the purposes on which it has been incurred?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1505 BY PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 09.12.2004 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION IN RAJASTHAN.
(a) to (c): The details of ongoing gauge conversion and for new rail lines in Rajasthan which are likely to be completed during 10th Plan are as under:

(Rupees in crore)

SN	Name of Project	Anticipated cost	Actual expenditure upto March, 2004	Budget Outlay 2004-05	Progresss
1	Ajmer-Chittaurgarh-Udaipur Chittaurgarh gauge conversion	455.18	88.00	41.55	In the first phase, gauge conversion of Chittaurgarh-Udaipur has been taken up and is targeted for completion during 2004-05. The work is in full swing. The tenders for track. linking are under finalzation. The work of Ajmer-Chittaurgarh section has also been taken up where earthwork and major/ minor bridges are in progress. Ajmer-Chittaurgarh is likely to be completed during 2006-07.
2	Agra Fort-Bandikui gauge conversion	175.03	133.78	40.00	Gauge conversion of Bandhkui-Bharatpur has been completed and opened for traffic. The work of gauge conversion of Bandikui-Agra Fort is targeted for completion during 2004-05.
3.	Kolayat-Phalodi new line (Funds from Ministry of Defence	163.93	15.55	81.00	this project is being funded by Ministry of Defence and is targeted for completion during 2005-06. Earth work, ballast supply and construction of bridges are in progress.